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DECLARATION OF JUNDONG ZHANG UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.132

1, Jundong Zhang, Ph.D., hereby declare and state that:

- I have a Ph.D. in chemistry and I serve as scientist at Biomeasure, Incorporated, 27 Maple Street, Milford, MA 01757-3650. It is a routine part of my job to test the half-lives of novel compounds using the assay method(s) commonly employed in the field.
- 1 am familiar with the subject matter claimed in the above-identified patent application.
- 3. I have tested the compounds in the below Table 1 to measure their plasma half-lives, by following a commonly employed assay methodology. Details of the procedure used to evaluate the plasma stability of the example compounds are recited below:

GLP-1 peptide (50 μ L 500 μ g/mL) was added to 450 μ L plasma (human, rat, or mouse), vertexed briefly and incubated at 37 °C. 50 μ L was removed at various times, like at 0, 0.5, 1, 2, 3, 4, 8, 24 A hours, mixed with 150 μ L acetonitrile in a microcentrifuge tube, vertexed, and centrifuged for 10 minutes at 10K rpm. The supermatant was transferred to an injection vial and analyzed by LC-MS. The LC-MS system consisted of a Finnigan Deca XP mass spectrometer with an ESI probe. Positive ion mode and full scan detection were used. HPLC spearation was carried out on a

Luna 3μ C8 (2), 3×50 mm column with a gradient from 100% A to 80% in 10 minutes at a flow rate of 0.25 ml/min. Buffer A was 0.1% acetic acid in water and buffer B was 0.1% acetic acid acetonitrile.

4. The results of the plasma half-life assay for the seven example compounds are shown below as Table 1:

TABLE 1

Example No.	Structures	Rat plasma T% (hours) at 37°C
2	(Aib ^{8,35} , Arg ^{26,34} , Phe ³¹ , Pro ³⁷ , Ser ^{38,39})hGLP-1(7-39)-NH ₂	11.0
3	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ^{26,34} , Phe ³¹ , Asn ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)-NH ₂	10.3
10	(Aib 8,36,37, Arg 28,38, Phe 31, Ser 38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH2	17.8
11	(Aib ^{8,36,37} , Gaba ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	16.7
12	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ^{26,34} , Phe ³¹ , His ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	14.2
13	(Aib 8.35, Arg 26,34, Phe31, β-Ala37, His38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	9.7
14	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ^{26,34} , D-His ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	10.8
15	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , β-Ala ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	30.4
20	(Aib ^{6,35} , Arg ^{26,34} , β-Ala ³⁷ , Hts ⁵⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	12.4
21	(Aib 8,85,37, Arg 26,34, Phe31, Gly38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	13.2
22	(Aib 838,37, Arg 26,34, Gly38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	19.3
23	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ^{26,34} , β-Ala ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	17,7
24	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ^{26,34} , Gaba ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₃	23.7
25	(Aib 8.38,37, Arg34, Phe31, His38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	13.1
26	(Aib ^{8,36,37} , Arg ^{26,34} , His ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	22.4
27	(Aib \$35,37, Arg 26,34, Phe33, Gaba 38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH2	12.4
28	(Aib 8,35,37, Arg 26,34, Phe33, Ava38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH2	15.1
29	(Aib 8,35,37, Arg 26,34, Ava 38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	21.7
30	(Aib *35,37, Arg34, Phe31, D-His38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	13.1
31	(Aib 8.38,37, Arg34, Phe31, Gly38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	10.4
33	(Aib #3537, Gly38)bGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	12.6
34	(Aib 8.35,37, Arg 26,34, Phe31, D-His38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	12.4
35	(Aib ^{8,35} , Arg ^{26,34} , Phe ³¹ , β-Ala ³⁷ , D-His ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	9.2
36	(Aib 8.35,37, Arg 26,34, Phe31, β-Ala38)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	10.4

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37	(Aib ^{8,35} , Arg ^{26,34} , Phe ³¹ , β-Ala ^{37,38})hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	13.2
38	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ^{3a} , Phe ³¹ , β-Ala ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH ₂	17.8
39	(Aib ^{8,35,37} , Arg ³⁶ , Phe ³¹ , Gaba ³⁸)hGLP-1(7-38)NH₂	12.2

5. I declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that statements made upon information and belief are believed to be true, and further that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the above-identified application or any patent issuing thereon.

Date: 10/22/20/6

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